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WHAT GOES UP MUST...

TOP PHOTO: Eric Balleau, 9, and brother Nick, 7, (left) climb the hill in anticipation of a sled ride down in Stouffville Memorial Park on Tuesday afternoon. BOTTOM PHOTO: Nick is close to the summit at the hill located off Park Drive near the community skateboard park.



Teen hit by Jeep seriously injured

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A 14-year-old Stouffville girl was clinging to life Friday after being struck by a vehicle while waiting for a school bus.

Ashley Beamish, a Grade 9 student at Stouffville District Secondary School, was hit by a

grey Jeep Cherokee as she crossed the Tenth Line just south of Bloomington Road about 8:20 a.m. Friday. People at the scene said the girl had crossed the road to check her family's rural mail box and was returning to wait for the bus when she was hit by the southbound Jeep. The driver of

the vehicle, a 26-year-old Uxbridge man, was not injured. Ashley was taken to Markham Stouffville Hospital and then transferred by air ambulance to the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto with what was said to be massive head trauma. She was listed in serious condition.



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